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             RE: AAPCO's concerns - the right of SLAs to issue certain 24(c) registrations
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Thanks, Nancy!
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From: Fitz, Nancy
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To: Davis, Kable <Davis.Kable@epa.gov>; Maignan, Tawanda <Maignan.Tawanda@epa.gov>
Subject: FW: AAPCO's concerns - the right of SLAs to issue certain 24(c) registrations
FYI - This just went out on the AAPCO list serve.
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From: Amy Sullivan <aapco.sfireg@gmail.com>
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On 3/19/19, 10:04 AM, "Roseann Kachadoorian"
<rkachadoorian@oda.state.or.us> wrote:
>Yesterday AAPCO members learned that EPA is now re-evaluating its
>approach to reviewing FIFRA Section 24(c) "requests", and the
>circumstances under which it will exercise its authority to disapprove
>those requests.
>See.
>https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/guidance-fifra-24c-registration
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>What appears to have initiated high level EPA's interest/concern are the
>Section 24(c) registrations that some states have granted for dicamba
>containing products. EPA specifically highlighted that these state
>registrations are to: add a more restrictive cut-off date, add training
>and certification requirements, or to restrict the use directions by
>limiting the number of treatments permitted by the federal label.
>Historically, Section 24(c) registrations have been issued by the State
>Lead Agencies (SLAs) for a wide variety of state determined reasons,
>including: adding additional use sites, pests or application methods;
>changing the timing of applications or conditions; increasing or
>decreasing the number of applications; or adding environmental safety
>restrictions.
>Many AAPCO members find it deeply concerning that EPA finds it now
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>necessary to re-evaluate its approach to reviewing 24(c) registrations;
>and in addition, AAPCO does not consider these state granted >registrations "requests". It is important for SLAs to be able to grant
>24(c) registrations for a wide-variety of state determined reasons
>including to protect non-target plants and to insure that applications
>are conducted in such a manner that technology options remain viable.
>The AAPCO Board of Directors is in the process of developing a letter to
>EPA. State Lead Agencies are strongly encouraged to contact EPA in
>writing to state their concerns. Do not hesitate to contact AAPCO if you
>have comments that you would like to share.
>Thank you
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>This is the time of year that EPA receives many special local needs
>registration requests from states under section 24(c) of FIFRA. Section >24(c) states that "A State may provide registration for additional uses >of federally registered pesticides formulated for distribution and use
>within the State to meet special local needs . . . " EPA currently
>receives approximately 300 24(c) requests annually. Many of these
>requests are for additional uses not considered by the federal label
>e.g., applying the pesticide to a different crop to address an outbreak
>of disease, adding an alternative application method that suits the
>practices of that state, or adding a new pest species that is not on the >federal label. However, some requests are to narrow the federal label,
>such as to add a more restrictive cut-off date, to add training and
>certification requirements, or to restrict the use directions
>by limiting the number of treatments permitted by the federal label.
>Due to the fact that section 24(a) allows states to regulate the use of
>any federally registered pesticide, and the fact that some states have
>instead used 24(c) to implement cut-off dates (and/or impose other
>restrictions), EPA is now re-evaluating its approach to reviewing 24(c) >requests and the circumstances under which it will exercise its authority
>to disapprove those requests. Before making any changes in this regard,
>EPA intends to take public comment on any potential new approaches before
>adopting them.
>EPA is not making any immediate changes in this area and does not expect
>any potential changes will impact 24(c) requests that states submit ahead
>of the 2019 growing season.
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